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REF

Enclosed are the Spanish and English texts of the resolutions adopted by the Council of the Organization of American States serving provisionally as Organ of Consultation on October 23, and November 5, 1962.

The earlier resolution was adopted by a vote of 19 favorable votes. The Interim Representative of Uruguay abstained, explaining that he had not yet received instructions from his government. On October 25, 1962, the Interim Representative of Uruguay sent a note to the Chairman of the Council of the OAS requesting that the affirmative vote of Uruguay be added to the other 19 affirmative votes, thus making the vote in support of the resolution unanimous.

The resolution of November 5 was approved by the unanimous favorable vote by all Representatives present. The Representative of Panama was absent.

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Enclosures:

1. Spanish Text October 23 Resolution.
2. English Text October 23 Resolution.
3. Spanish Text November 5 Resolution.
4. English Text November 5 Resolution.

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Resolution Adopted on October 23, 1962 by the Council of the Organization of American States Serving Provisionally as Organ of Consultation.

SPANISH TEXT

EL CONSEJO DE LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS ESTADOS AMERICANOS
ACTUANDO PROVISIONALMENTE COMO ORGANO DE CONSULTA.

CONSIDERANDO:

Que el Tratado Interamericano de Asistencia Recíproca de 1947 (Tratado de Río de Janeiro), reconoce la obligación de las Repúblicas americanas de "proveer ayuda recíproca efectiva para hacer frente a los ataques armados contra cualquier Estado Americano y conjurar las amenazas de agresión contra cualquiera de ellos";

Que el Artículo 6 de dicho Tratado afirma que:

"Si la inviolabilidad o la integridad del territorio o la soberanía o la independencia política de cualquier Estado Americano fueren afectadas por una agresión que no sea ataque armado, o por un conflicto extracontinental o intracontinental, o por cualquier otro hecho o situación que pueda poner en peligro la paz de América, el Organó de Consulta se reunirá inmediatamente, a fin de acordar las medidas que en caso de agresión se deben tomar en ayuda del agredido o en todo caso las que convenga tomar para la defensa común y para el mantenimiento de la paz y la seguridad del Continente";

Que la Octava Reunión de Consulta de los Ministros de Relaciones Exteriores de las Repúblicas Americanas en Punta del Este en enero de 1962 acordó en la Resolución II: "Encarecer a los Estados Miembros que adopten las medidas que estimen convenientes a los efectos de su legítima defensa individual o colectiva, y cooperen según sea necesario o conveniente, con el fin de fortalecer su capacidad de contrarrestar las amenazas o los actos de agresión, subversión y otros peligros para la paz y la seguridad

que resultan de la intervención continuada, en particular de las potencias chino-soviéticas, de acuerdo con los compromisos contenidos en los tratados y convenios como la Carta de la Organización de los Estados Americanos y el Tratado Interamericano de Asistencia Recíproca";

Que los Ministros de Relaciones Exteriores de las Repúblicas Americanas, en su reunión informal celebrada en Washington los días 2 y 3 de octubre de 1962, renovaron "el firme propósito de los respectivos gobiernos y de los pueblos de las Repúblicas Americanas de ajustar su conducta a las normas del sistema regional, decididos a mantener y consolidar los principios de la Carta de la Organización de los Estados Americanos, y expresó la voluntad de asumir la defensa del hemisferio contra toda agresión continental o extracontinental o contra todo hecho o situación susceptible de amenazar la paz y la seguridad en esta parte del mundo, por medio de la aplicación del Tratado Interamericano de Asistencia Recíproca de Río de Janeiro. Opinaron los Ministros que los organismos y las entidades que constituyen el sistema interamericano deben intensificar sus esfuerzos para realizar sus respectivos mandatos, con atención especial y urgente a la situación creada por el régimen comunista de Cuba, y que deben estar preparados para volver a considerar el problema en el caso de que la situación requiera que se tomen medidas más allá de las ya autorizadas";

Que la misma reunión "consideró que la intromisión de la Unión Soviética en Cuba pone en peligro la unidad de América y sus instituciones democráticas y que esta intromisión reviste manifestaciones peculiares que, de conformidad con el párrafo 3 de la Resolución II de la Octava

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Reunión de Consulta de Ministros de Relaciones Exteriores, hacen aconsejable la adopción de medidas específicas, tanto individuales como colectivas"; y

Que ha surgido prueba irrefutable de que el Gobierno de Cuba, a pesar de reiteradas advertencias, ha puesto en peligro secretamente la paz del Continente al permitir que en su territorio, las potencias chino-soviéticas dispongan de proyectiles de alcance medio o intermedio, susceptibles de ser armados con conos nucleares,

RESUELVE:

1. Instar a que se dismantelen inmediatamente y se retiren de Cuba todos los proyectiles y cualesquiera otras armas con capacidad ofensiva.

2. Recomendar a los Estados Miembros, de conformidad con los artículos 6 y 8 del Tratado Interamericano de Asistencia Recíproca, que adopten todas las medidas individuales y colectivas, incluso el empleo de la fuerza armada, que consideren necesarias para asegurar que el Gobierno de Cuba, no pueda continuar recibiendo de las potencias chino-soviéticas, pertrechos y suministros militares que amenacen la paz y la seguridad del Continente, y para impedir que los proyectiles en Cuba con capacidad ofensiva se conviertan en cualquier momento en una amenaza activa contra la paz y la seguridad del Continente.

3. Informar al Consejo de Seguridad de las Naciones Unidas sobre esta Resolución, de conformidad con el Artículo 54 de la Carta de las Naciones Unidas y expresar la esperanza de que el Consejo de Seguridad, de acuerdo con el proyecto de Resolución presentado por las Naciones Unidas, envíe a sus observadores de las Naciones Unidas a la mayor brevedad posible.

Continuar actuando provisionalmente como Organismo de Consulta e
 informar a los Estados miembros que mantienen debidamente informado al
 Organismo de Consulta sobre las medidas que adopten de acuerdo con el pá-
 rrafo segundo de la presente Resolución.

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Enclosure No. 2

Resolution Adopted on October 23, 1962 by the Council of the Organization of American States Serving Provisionally as Organ of Consultation

ENGLISH TEXT

WHEREAS,

The Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance of 1947 (Rio Treaty) recognizes "the obligation of the American Republics to "provide for effective reciprocal assistance to meet armed attacks against any American state and in order to deal with threats of aggression against any of them";

Article 6 of the said Treaty states:

"If the inviolability or the integrity of the territory or the sovereignty or political independence of any American State should be affected by an aggression which is not an armed attack or by an extra-continental or intra-continental conflict, or by any other fact or situation that might endanger the peace of America, the Organ of Consultation shall meet immediately in order to agree on the measures which must be taken in case of aggression to assist the victim of the aggression or, in any case, the measures which should be taken for the common defense and for the maintenance of the peace and security of the Continent."

The Eighth Meeting of Consultation of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics in Punta del Este in January, 1962, agreed in Resolution II "To urge the member states to take those steps that they may consider appropriate for their individual and collective self-defense, and to cooperate, as may be necessary or desirable, to strengthen their capacity to counteract threats or acts of aggression, subversion, or other dangers to peace and security resulting from the continued intervention in this hemisphere of Sino-Soviet powers, in accordance with the obligations established in treaties and agreements such as the Charter of the Organization of American States and the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance;"

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics meeting informally in Washington, October 2 and 3, 1962, reiterated "the firm intention of the Governments represented and of the peoples of the American Republics to conduct themselves in accordance with the principles of the regional system, staunchly sustaining and consolidating the principles of the Charter of the Organization of American States, and affirmed the will to strengthen the security of the Hemisphere against all aggression from within or outside the Hemisphere and against all developments or situations capable of threatening the peace and security of the Hemisphere through the application of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance of Rio de Janeiro. It was the view of the Ministers that the existing organizations and bodies of the Inter-American system should intensify the carrying out of their respective duties with special and urgent attention to the situation created by the communist regime in Cuba and that they should stand in readiness to consider the matter promptly if the situation requires measures beyond those already authorized."

The same meeting "recalled that the Soviet Union's intervention in Cuba threatens the unity of the Americas and its democratic institutions, and that this intervention has special characteristics which, pursuant to paragraph 3 of Resolution II of the Eighth Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, call for the adoption of special measures, both individual and collective";

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Incontrovertible evidence has appeared that the Government of Cuba, despite repeated warnings, has secretly endangered the peace of the Continent by permitting the Sino-Soviet powers to have intermediate and middle-range missiles on its territory capable of carrying nuclear warheads;

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RESOLVES:

1. To call for the immediate dismantling and withdrawal from Cuba of all missiles and other weapons with any offensive capability;
2. To recommend that the member states, in accordance with Articles 6 and 8 of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance, take all measures, individually and collectively including the use of armed force, which they may deem necessary to ensure that the Government of Cuba cannot continue to receive from the Sino-Soviet powers military material and related supplies which may threaten the peace and security of the Continent and to prevent the missiles in Cuba with offensive capability from ever becoming an active threat to the peace and security of the Continent;
3. To inform the Security Council of the United Nations of this resolution in accordance with Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, and to express the hope that the Security Council will take into account the Resolution introduced by the United States to dispatch United Nations observers to Cuba at the earliest moment;

To continue to serve provisionally as Organ of Consultation and to request the Member States to keep the Organ of Consultation duly informed of measures taken by them in accordance with paragraph 2 of this resolution.

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SPANISH TEXT

EL CONSEJO DE LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS ESTADOS
AMERICANOS ACTUANDO PROVISIONALMENTE COMO
ORGANO DE CONSULTA,

CONSIDERANDO:

Que el 23 de octubre de 1962 el Consejo de la Organización de los Estados Americanos actuando provisionalmente como Organó de Consulta en aplicación del Tratado Interamericano de Asistencia Recíproca, adoptó medidas tendientes a preservar la paz y la seguridad del Continente, gravemente amenazadas por la constante y creciente intervención de potencias extracontinentales en Cuba al haber instalado en el territorio de este país proyectiles y otras armas con capacidad ofensiva;

Que el Organó de Consulta ha recomendado a los Estados miembros la adopción de medidas individuales y colectivas, incluso el empleo de la fuerza armada, para hacer frente a esa situación;

Que numerosos Estados miembros han ofrecido formalmente su cooperación de acuerdo a lo recomendado en el párrafo segundo de la mencionada Resolución,

RESUELVE:

1. Tomar debida nota de tales ofrecimientos militares y de otro género que han efectuado y efectúen los Estados miembros de conformidad con los términos de la Resolución aprobada por el Consejo actuando provisionalmente como Organó de Consulta, el día 23 de octubre de 1962.

2. Recomendar a los Estados miembros que participan con efectivos militares u otra contribución a la defensa del Continente, que tomen directamente entre ellos las medidas de carácter técnico necesarias para establecer una acción coordinada y eficaz de las fuerzas combinadas y que mantengan informado al Organó de Consulta sobre esta acción, en conformidad con el párrafo 4 de la misma resolución.

Encl. No 4

**Resolution Adopted on November 5, 1962 by the Council
of the Organization of American States, Serving
Provisionally as Organ of Consultation**

ENGLISH TEXT

WHEREAS:

On October 23, 1962, the Council of the Organization of American States, acting provisionally as Organ of Consultation in application of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance, adopted measures intended to preserve the peace and the security of the continent, which were seriously threatened by the constant and growing intervention of extracontinental powers in Cuba when they installed ballistic missiles and other arms of an offensive capability on territory of that country;

The Organ of Consultation has recommended to the Member States the adoption of individual and collective measures, including the use of armed force for meeting that situation; and

Many Member States have made formal offers of cooperation in accordance with the recommendation made in the second paragraph of the aforementioned resolution,

**THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,
ACTING PROVISIONALLY AS ORGAN OF CONSULTATION**

RESOLVES:

1. To take due note of the offers of the military or other nature that the Member States have made and are making in accordance with the terms of the resolution adopted on October 23, 1962, by the Council acting provisionally as Organ of Consultation;

2. To recommend that the Member States participating with personnel of the armed forces or with other contributions in the defense of the hemisphere adopt, among themselves, the technical measures that may be necessary to the coordinated and effective action of the combined forces and that they keep the Organ of Consultation informed of this action in compliance with paragraph 4 of the above mentioned resolution.